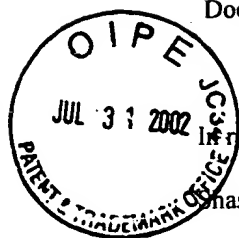


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In re Application of

Shashank MERCHANT, et al.

Serial No.: 09/315,973

Group Art Unit: 2731

Filed: May 21, 1999

Examiner: A.V. Ly

For: NETWORK SWITCH WITH MULTIPLE-PORTSNIFFING

THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.



No additional fee is required.



Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27



Also attached: Request for Approval of Drawing Amendment

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The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Independent Claims	2	3	0	\$84.00 =	\$0.00
Multiple claims newly presented					\$0.00
Fee for extension of time					\$0.00
Total of Above Calculations					\$0.00



Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$0.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.



The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 22, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS

Please amend FIG. 5 of the drawings as shown in red on the attached copy.

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 are presented for examination. Claim 7-13 has been found allowable subject to being rewritten in independent form.

FIG. 5 of the drawings has been corrected to address the Examiner's objection. A letter requesting approval of the drawings amendment is provided herewith.